

Ralph F. Nilsson, Utah Educator, Dies in Bountiful

Ralph F. Nilsson, 71, Utah educator and community leader, died Wednesday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Ada Rowland, Bountiful, of Hodgkins disease.



He was born in Monroe, May 12, 1883, son of Jeppa and Susan Swain Nilsson. On Dec. 23, 1903,

he married Mary Rebecca Tuft of Monroe. The marriage was solemnized in the Manti Temple, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He graduated from Brigham Young University with a B.A. degree in 1913. From 1920 to 1923 he was principal of the Wasatch Seminary. He was superintendent of schools in Wasatch County from 1923 to 1935.

In 1935 he became superintendent of Utah School District, and held that position until 1947. He was a city councilman in Heber City for two years. For several years he was on the State Text Book Commission.

Mrs. Nilsson died in 1920. On Jan. 26, 1923 he married Mine Bond in the Salt Lake Temple.

Active in the Church, he had served as both Ward and Stake Sunday School superintendents and as president of the YMMIA.

Survivors include his widow; sons and daughters; Paul R. Arcadia, Calif.; Clifford W., Los Angeles; Mrs. Harrison G. (Maud) Parker, Ogden; Mrs. T. W. (Ivy) Morton, Reno, Nev.; Mrs. L. J. (Lola) Mench, Hawaii; Mrs. J. B. Rowland, Bountiful; Mrs. E. W. (Ruth) Ingram, Tooele; brothers and sisters: Joseph, Alberta, Can.; William L., Midvale; Alma, Monroe; Lydia Tuft, Monroe; 14 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, 1 p.m. in the Nephi 1st-2nd Ward Chapel. Friends may call Thursday at 260 E. South Temple, from 6 to 8 p.m., and in Nephi at the Ward, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. Burial in Provo City Cemetery.



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